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Applicant: Savage et al.

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For: SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING SESSION-BASED NETWORK PRIVACY, PRIVATE, PERSISTENT STORAGE, AND DISCRETIONARY ACCESS CONTROL FOR SHARING PRIVATE DATA

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Sir:

In the Notice to File Missing Parts dated January 29, 2004, the Examiner required Applicant to submit a signed declaration from inventor Sascha Goldsmith. However, as Applicant explained in Mr. Savage's statement submitted along the filing of the above-mentioned application, Mr. Goldsmith has refused to sign documents related to the application. A copy of the statement, along with Mr. Goldsmith's employment agreement is enclosed for the Examiner's reference. Applicant filed the application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.47 by submitting all necessary documents, including 1) a declaration signed by all the available joint inventors with the signature block of the nonsigning inventor left blank, which is treated under MPEP 409.03(a) as having been signed by all the available joint inventors on behalf of the nonsigning inventor, 2) Mr. Savage's statement submitted as proof that the nonsigning inventor refuses to



execute the application papers, and 3) the last known address of the nonsigning inventor, stated in the signed declaration. Therefore, withdrawal of the requirement of a signed declaration from inventor Sascha Goldsmith is respectfully requested. In light of this, Applicant does not believe a late charge of \$65 is necessary, but authorizes any additional charges to be charged to Hughes Hubbard & Reed Deposit Account No. 08-3264.

The Examiner also required an Abstract in the Notice to File Missing Parts. Applicant submits herewith an Abstract for the application.

Dated: March 29, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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